

THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. An apparatus for controlling fluid leaks in a pipe connection, comprising:
 - a clamp having a circular clamping face adapted to clamp around a pipe connection;
 - a diversion channel positioned in the circular clamping face of the clamp; and
 - a drain outlet in communication with the diversion channel.
2. The apparatus as defined in Claim 1, wherein a conduit attachment fitting is positioned on the drain outlet.
3. The apparatus as defined in claim 1, wherein the diversion channel extends substantially circumferentially around the circular clamping face of the clamp.
4. The apparatus as defined in Claim 1, wherein the clamp has two mating halves.
5. The apparatus as defined in Claim 4, wherein a "U" bolt is used to secure the two mating halves together.
6. The apparatus as defined in Claim 1, wherein a sensor is in fluid communication with one of the diversion channel or the drain outlet.

7. A method for controlling fluids leaks in a pipe connection, comprising the steps of:
 - providing a clamp having a circular clamping face with a diversion channel positioned in the circular clamping face and a drain outlet in communication with the diversion channel;
 - clamping the clamp around a pipe connection so that any fluids leaking from the pipe connection can only escape by being diverted to the diversion channel;
 - positioning a container relative to the drain outlet, so that any fluids passing through the drain outlet from the diversion channel are captured in the container.
8. The method as defined in Claim 7, a conduit extending from the drain outlet to the container.
9. The method as defined in Claim 7, a sensor being in fluid communication with one of the diversion channel or the drain outlet.